THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government have approved during 2000-2001 a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Technology Mission for the Integrated Development of Horticulture in North-Eastern Region including Sikkim under which Arunachal Pradesh has also been included. The total outlay for the Scheme is Rs. 299.38 Crores and the allocation for the current year (2001-2002) is Rs. 38.00 Crores. All the related activities on the development of horticulture including research, development and processing are included in the Scheme.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The Government has identified the Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC) as the nodal agency to implement the Scheme. The Government of Arunachal Pradesh have been requested to finalise their programme as per the pattern of assistance available under the Technology Mission.

Krishi Vigyan Kendras in Arunachal Pradesh

4572. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme to set up Krishi Vigyan Kendras in Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of KVKs set up in the State during the last three years till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Besides, establishment of a Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) earlier at Basar in West Siang district of the State, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research has formulated a proposal for establishment of new KVKs in four districts, *viz.*, Lower Subsansiri, West Kamang, Lohit and Tirap. There is no KVK set up during the last three years.